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1648AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

This Amendment is being submitted pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116. Inasmuch as the Amendment merely cancels claims, adopts suggestions made by the Examiner, proposes amendments intended to place finally rejected claims in condition for allowance and/or to present such claims in better form for consideration on appeal, it is submitted that this Amendment is both admissible and proper under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116(a). It is, therefore, submitted pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116(b), that there is good and sufficient reasons why this Amendment is necessary and was not earlier presented.

Accordingly, responsive to the communication from the Examiner mailed August 4, 2003 (Paper No. 13), please enter the following amendment in the above-identified application, as follows: